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AID FOR NAVAJOS... Sol Young (center) helps load some of the 5024 pairs of discarded shoes collected by Torrance school children to be sent to Navajo Indian children. Helping too, is Juanita Lickert, a member of the Navajo nation, and truck driver Felix Barberis of the Navajo Freight Lines which offered to haul the shoes to the reservation in Arizona.

5024 Pairs of Shoes To Aid Navajo Kids

More than 5000 pairs of discarded shoes collected by Torrance school kids began their long trip to Arizona Tuesday to help clothe the children of the great Navajo nation.

The shoes, totaling 5024 pairs, were collected during a contest staged by Sol Young, manager of the Torrance Bootery, 1333 El Prado. Winner of the contest was Robert Angerer, 2824 Lesserman St.

A member of the Navajo Indian tribe, 20-year-old Juanita Lickert, accepted the shoes on behalf of her people. The huge pile of shoes was crated and loaded by Hank Shippey, associate director of the West Coast offices of the Save the Children Federation, for use in the federation's program of aid to the Navajo children.

Navajo Freight Lines donated a hauling service to take the shoes to the reservation. On the reservation the shoes will be repaired at one of the many boarding schools which are attended by the Navajo children nine months a year.

The Save the Children Federation for the past six years has been devoted to helping Navajo children through the schools, hospitals, and the Indian Service Welfare agencies, instituting personal relationships through sponsorship of children on the reservation. Its health fund provides eyeglasses, braces and appliances for needy and crippled children on the reservation.

Other winners in the contest

which offered bicycles, cameras, clock-radios, and similar prizes were: Ronnie Norton, 4171 W. 190th St., second; David Nair, 1627 W. 215th St., third; Wayne Marshall, 1569 W. 220th St., fourth; Gregory Clark, 21124 Hobart Ave., fifth; Jimmy Standridge, 2389 Torrance Blvd., sixth; and Robert Bauman, 1504 Post Ave., seventh.



Youth Admits Burglarizing Five Houses

A 15-year-old Torrance High School boy, caught in the act of burglarizing a Walteria home Tuesday afternoon, has admitted to burglarizing five other homes in North Torrance, according to juvenile officer Sgt. D. C. Cook, of the Torrance Police Department.

The youth was nabbed by Det. Sgt. Ernie Ashton who answered a call of a Walteria housewife who saw the teenage burglar enter a neighbor's window.

The confession by the youth clears up a string of burglaries which has kept North Torrance "jittery" for the past several months. The boy confessed also to burglarizing another home in Inglewood.

Sgt. Cook said the boy is now in custody of juvenile authorities in Los Angeles.

Ryan Nominated For VP Office

C. J. "Paddy" Ryan, director of the Torrance-Lomita Realty Board, has been nominated for the office of regional vice president of the 21st district of the California Real Estate Association, which covers Torrance, Lomita, Inglewood, Hawthorne, San Pedro and the South Bay.

Ryan is a past president of the Realty Board and manager of the Carson St. Branch of Alter Realty and Insurance Co. He was the first salesman of the Alter firm and manager of its first branch office. He is also active in the local American Legion post, and a veteran of both World Wars, according to Gerald Alter, president of Alter Realty.

SCIENCE MODEL... A heavy of lovely models such as this beauty will be on hand here next Monday evening when they will be used to illustrate the scientific principles evolved by the evening's guest speaker, a noted Southern California engineer.

New Civic Group Seeks to Better Entire City

A group of citizens with the aim of making Torrance a better place in which to live are striving to form a new organization to be known as the Torrance Civic Betterment League, according to F. J. Major, one of the organizers.

"Our ultimate aim," states Major, "is to have an organization of several thousand residents. We are inviting both homeowners and business people to become associated with the League."

Among the aims of the group will be fostering legislation to provide salaries for the mayor and members of the City Council.

"The need to compensate our councilmen for the many hours they devote to municipal affairs is greater now than ever before," claims Major.

The organization's aim will be to work for the improvement of the city as a whole and not for any specific or "selfish interest" area. The first meeting of the organization has not yet been scheduled but will be announced at a future date. Persons interested in the organization are urged to contact Major at his home, 17815 Yukon Ave. or by telephone at Menlo 4-1878.

"We intend to have no paid employees and all services will be donated by civic-minded people," claims Major.

Service Clubs Plan Joint Meeting Monday

The practical engineering principles involved in designing fire-control panels and other contraptions will be demonstrated before members of the five Torrance service clubs in a meeting here Monday evening, Oct. 26.

And, according to Reed Parkin, program chairman for the host Rotary Club, real, live, and lovely models will be on hand to illustrate the engineering principles involved in the demonstration.

Occasion for the demonstration will be the semi-annual joint service club meeting at the Allen-Richard Hall, 1931 Carson St.

Joining with the Rotary Club in the meeting will be members of the Kiwanis, Optimist, Lions, and newly-chartered Civitan Club. It will be the first such meeting for the Civitans.

More than 200 men are expected at the dinner meeting to represent their clubs. Official host for the evening will be Jack Dubs, president of the Rotary Club.

A "get-acquainted" hour arranged by the Optimist Club, will precede the showing of the latest Rose Marie Reid bathing suits.

Steak Lover Gets Load Of Meat—Skips Cashier

Someone stole about \$50 or \$60 worth of meat from the firm's lockers between Oct. 14 and Oct. 19, a spokesman for the Gardens Food Locker, 18046 So. Western Ave., told Torrance police Monday.

Ex-Air Force P-47 Pilot Dies in Crash

An ex-Air Force fighter pilot, Jack M. Collingsworth, 29, a father of three children, perished in the crash of a twin jet fighter Tuesday afternoon near Edwards Air Force Base, according to Northrop Aviation Co.

Collingsworth, a captain during World War II and a pilot of a P-47 in Europe, was flying as flight engineer with Walter P. Jones, 29, who was piloting the Scorpion all-weather interceptor when it crashed returning to base after a routine test flight.

The airman, a graduate of Purdue University, is survived by his widow, Sarah, 28, and two sons, Jack, Jr., 5, Gill, 3, and a daughter Melinda, 20 months, all of whom live at 4022 W. 173rd Pl. Surviving also are his parents, Mrs. Fannie Mackey and Speed Collingsworth, both of Bowling, Ind., and four sisters and one brother, all of Brownstown, Ind.

An investigation into the cause of the crash is being conducted by Northrop officials and the Air Force. As of late yesterday the cause of the crash was unknown.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Northrop.

Stray Bullet Hits Hunter

A Torrance man became the victim of a week-end hunting accident Sunday when a bullet fired by a friend struck him in the right cheek.

Paul Eugene Tuthill, 28, of 18228 Roslin Ave., was standing in the front yard of a friend's home in Saugus, Calif., when a .22 caliber bullet fired by Bill Rosscoe Roberts, 16, of 18544 Ashley Ave., accidentally struck him. The bullet entered the cheek in the right rear area, coursed along the margin of the right gum, and emerged from the front of his face.

Tuthill was treated at Newhall Community Hospital Sunday morning, and released Sunday afternoon.

A rash of hunting accidents which broke out during a 21-hour period last week-end drew sharp warnings from Sheriff Gene Biscailuz this week. Four persons were accidentally shot, and seriously wounded in the Newhall-Saugus and Antelope Valley areas Saturday and Sunday.

Mayor to Review Mounted Police

Mayor Mervin M. Schwab will conduct the first official inspection of the Torrance Mounted Police Unit Saturday at 2 p.m. at El Prado Park, according to Police Sgt. D. C. Cook, one of the inspectors of the unit.

Other civic officials who will witness the inspection include City Manager George Stevens and either Chief of Police J. H. Haslam or Assistant Chief W. H. Strohm. Members of the City Council have also been invited.

The general public has been issued an invitation to attend the ceremonies also, Cook said. The Mounted Police unit has 22 members and was formed recently to represent Torrance in holiday parades and celebrations in this and other cities.

WEATHER

An increase in cloudiness is expected by the weather bureau today, with local winds and light drizzle. A change in temperature, with a high of around 78 and a low of 54 this morning.



OLD PAPERS... Eighteen-year-old Pauline Chism, 1020 Eriel Ave., is surrounded by copies of the 153-year-old "rare" Ulster County Gazette. Single copies of the "valuable" early-day newspaper are hoarded by many persons believing them to be genuine copies of the issue telling of the death of George Washington. Free copies may be obtained by calling at the Torrance Herald. (Herald Photo)

Free Copies of 'Old' Gazettes Offered

Should anyone like a copy of the "rare" and "valuable" Ulster County Gazette, a newspaper dated Jan. 4, 1800, describing the death of George Washington, he may have a copy by calling at the Torrance Herald.

We have 50 copies of the "genuine" thing. Each year about Washington's birthday the ancient copies seem to pop up to haunt newspaper editors all over the country. Recently a local resident duped a local editor of another paper into running a story about her copy of the "very rare" Ulster County Gazette. It wasn't her fault—she believed she had the real thing. Another Torrance resident read the article and discovered he too had a copy of the unusual early day paper.

Then still another resident discovered that the lady had a copy of "her" newspaper. Actually there are two known copies of the original issue still in existence, one in the Library of Congress and the other in the Archives of the American Antiquarian Society in Worcester, Mass.

The original has been reproduced by the tens of thousands and sold at county fairs for 10 cents a copy or were handed out as advertising by the bushel basketful.

Besides being of passing interest for what smiles they provoke in the manner in which it was written the "rare" copies are hardly "worth" the paper they are printed on.

The Herald will be glad to give a copy of the Gazette, as long as the supply lasts, to students who might find a useful purpose for the "153-year-old" newspaper in classrooms.

'Pop' Haslam In Line For Chief of Police

If the City Council elects to follow a recommendation of the Civil Service Commission, the next police chief will be Willard H. "Pop" Haslam, the present assistant chief.

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The commission took action on the matter after the City Council requested that body to recommend a procedure for selection of a successor to John Strohm, who has stated that he will retire sometime after the first of the year. Strohm will complete 30 years of service with the City of Torrance in February.

Whether or not the council will follow the recommendation of the commission is largely a matter of conjecture. At least one member of the council, Harvey B. Spelman, Jr., favored opening the examination by revamping the present Civil Service ordinance if necessary, to include "outsiders" who might be qualified for the job. At the time he made his motion he said that he was only interested in obtaining "the best possible man for the job whether he was a member of the present Torrance Police force or not."

He stated that if a member of the present force passed the examination for chief with the highest grade that he (Spelman) would be the first to recommend his appointment.

The matter is now back in the laps of the council members, who must make the ultimate decision of how to select a new chief.

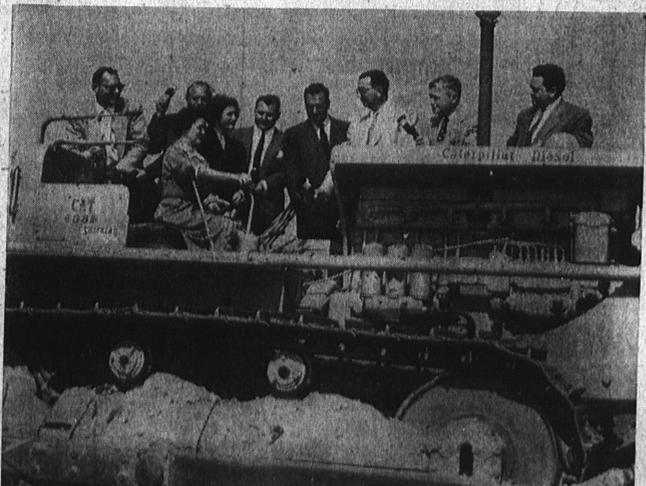
Recommended also by the commission was that the council conduct a competitive examination for the rank of assistant chief from among the present captains, lieutenants, and sergeants with one or more years of service. A similar examination was suggested for the selection of a captain to be chosen from the lieutenants and sergeants with at least one year of service. The examinations should be given in accordance with Ordinance 476, Section 17, the commission stated in its recommendation.

Another section of the special edition will be devoted to Torrance industry, with the local stories of industry being told by word and picture. The combined special edition will contain more than 50 pages, according to Mrs. Pluma Whyte, Herald publisher.

Regular Herald subscribers will receive the large Sunday paper at no extra cost and street copies will be sold for the regular price of 10 cents, she said.

If you are not a Herald subscriber, see your newsboy or watch for the edition on the Herald news stands which are placed all over Torrance.

Another section of the special edition will highlight the advertising of Torrance merchants who are using special pictures of their employees in an effort to "get acquainted." Running throughout the paper will be stories of the city's service clubs, PTAs, political organizations, and other groups, all with pictures of the club's president or other leading officer.



300 NEW HOMES STARTED... Officials here broke ground yesterday morning for a new \$3,500,000 home tract at Sepulveda and Madrona. Handling the controls of the tractor are Mrs. Sylvester Morning and Mrs. David Hirsch. Others, left to right, are Harold Hensgen, vice-president of Hirsch-Victory Enterprises; David Hirsch, vice-president; Sylvester Morning, president; Clement Hirsch, president; Ward Koyen, secretary-treasurer; and Torrance Realtors Bob Haggard and Howard Percy, who handled acquisition of the property for the developers. (Herald Photo)